FISCAL NOTE

Bill #: HB0042 Title: Require wildlife management in sustainable

manner

Primary Sponsor: Barrett, D **Status:** Third Reading

Sponsor signature	Date	Chuck Swysgood, Budget	Director Date
Fiscal Summary		FY 2004 Difference	FY 2005 Difference
Expenditures: State Special Revenue		\$246,442	\$165,942
Revenue: State Special Revenue		\$0	\$0
Net Impact on General Fund Balance:		\$0	\$0
Significant Local Gov. Impact		Technical Concerns	
Included in the Executive Budget		Significant Long-Term Impacts	
Dedicated Revenue Form Attached		Needs to be included in HB 2	

Fiscal Analysis

ASSUMPTIONS:

- 1. As amended by the Senate Finance and Claims Committee, landowners will be surveyed to determine tolerance for wildlife on their properties. This will be the basis for establishing deer, elk and antelope populations.
- 2. Based on agriculture statistics, there are about 23,000 agricultural landowners in the state, not including residential landowners.
- 3. The survey costs per landowner will be \$3.50 for a total cost of \$80,500.
- 4. Habitat acreages for deer, elk and antelope will be developed with GIS mapping and ownership. This will require a 0.50 FTE technician (grade 12) and a 0.10 FTE programmer (grade 15)
- 5. Management plans for deer, elk and antelope will be developed or amended to reflect new criteria. This will require 2.00 FTE planning specialists (grade 15) and 1.00 FTE administrative assistant (grade 10). Each position will need \$4,000 in operations annually
- 6. After further review, FWP staff members have concluded that this process will trigger MEPA because of the need to provide for public comment on the appropriate biological methods to determine the numbers and the actions required to manage deer, elk and antelope at sustainable levels.
- 7. Each EIS will cost \$30,000 and four EIS plans will be required (mule deer, white tail deer, elk and antelope).

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- 8. The calculation of available habitat, as required in Section 2, will be completed after the MEPA process is complete. Therefore, the first report to the public will be made October 1, 2005.
- 9. It is possible that additional license revenue may be generated through the sales of additional licenses pursuant to the management provisions of the plans. However, the potential additional revenue is not estimable.
- 10. The FWP Commission will utilize its current season process for implementation of the bill.

FISCAL IMPACT:

FWP Program 05 Wildlife FTE	FY 2004 <u>Difference</u> 3.60	FY 2005 Difference 3.60	
Expenditures: Personal Services Operating Expenses TOTAL	\$93,942 <u>152,500</u> \$246,442	\$93,942 72,000 \$165,942	
<u>Funding of Expenditures:</u> State Special Revenue (02)	\$246,442	\$165,942	
Revenues: State Special Revenue (02)	\$0	\$0	
Net Impact to Fund Balance (Revenue minus Funding of Expenditures): State Special Revenue (02) (\$246,442) (\$165			